Substitute Bill No. 5544

February Session, 2000

An Act Allowing For Deferred Retirement Option Plans In The Municipal Employees' Retirement System.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (a) On or after the effective date of this act, the
- 2 Retirement Commission may create a deferred retirement option plan.
- 3 If created, such plan shall permit members of the Municipal
- 4 Employees' Retirement Fund who are eligible for a service retirement
- 5 allowance to elect participation in such plan, provided such plan has
- 6 been adopted by the participating municipality that employs such
- 7 member.
- 8 (b) The deferred retirement option plan shall include a fixed period
- 9 of time for member participation, not to exceed five years, and a
- 10 specified rate of interest credit for member accounts. All other
- 11 provisions of the deferred retirement option plan shall be as
- determined by the Retirement Commission, provided the structure of
- 13 such plan is certified by the consulting actuary to the Municipal
- 14 Employees' Retirement Fund as having no anticipated impact on the
- contribution rates for municipalities participating in said fund.
- 16 (c) Any municipality participating in the Municipal Employees'
- 17 Retirement Fund shall have the option of adopting the deferred option
- 18 plan for its members. Such adoption shall be in a manner prescribed by
- 19 the Retirement Commission.

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20 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

LAB Committee Vote: Yea 11 Nay 0 JFS-LCO

PD Committee Vote: Yea 15 Nay 0 JF

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